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Ms. Jocelyn Boyd
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South Carolina Public Service Commission
Synergy Business Park, The Saluda Building
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RE: Joint Petition of Fort Mill Telephone Company,
d/b/a Comporium Communications, and Lancaster
Telephone Company, d/b/a Comporium
Communciations, for Approval of Changes in Boundary
Line, and for Approval to Grandfather Certain Customers
Docket No. _____

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Please find attached for filing a Joint Petition on behalf of Fort Mill Telephone Company and Lancaster Telephone Company, both d/b/a Comporium Communications in the above referenced matter.

If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

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BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA

Docket No. _____

Re: Joint Petition of Fort Mill Telephone Company, d/b/a)
Comporium Communications, and Lancaster Telephone)
Company, d/b/a Comporium Communications, for Approval)
of Changes in Boundary Line, and for Approval to)
Grandfather Certain Customers)
_____)

Fort Mill Telephone Company, d/b/a Comporium Communications ("Fort Mill") and Lancaster Telephone Company, d/b/a Comporium Communications ("Lancaster") (collectively referred to herein as the "Companies") hereby petition the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission"), pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Regs. § 103-612.2.3, for approval of a change in the boundary line between the Companies. In addition, the Companies respectfully request that the Commission allow certain customers who may be affected by the boundary change to be "grandfathered," in order to ensure that they may continue receiving service from their existing provider if they so choose. In support of this Joint Petition, Fort Mill and Lancaster respectfully submit:

1. Fort Mill and Lancaster are incumbent local exchange companies providing wire line telephone services in York, Lancaster, and portions of Chester and Kershaw Counties in the State of South Carolina, and each is subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission with respect to such services.

2. Fort Mill and Lancaster are both Comporium companies, and each does business under the Comporium trade name. The Companies have substantial common

ownership, with Rock Hill Telephone Company d/b/a Comporium Communications owning 100% of Fort Mill and 96% of Lancaster.

3. There has been recent construction on a development in Fort Mill's service area. The planned development will eventually straddle the existing boundary between Fort Mill and Lancaster. The land for the planned development consists of contiguous parcels owned by a single developer. There are currently no customers in that portion of Lancaster's service area that is part of the planned subdivision. Given past experience, however, it is expected that the future residents of the subdivision will have a strong desire to be able to make local calls to their neighbors within the subdivision.

4. The current boundary that separates the Fort Mill and Lancaster Service areas between the North Carolina/South Carolina border and US Highway 521 is Twelve Mile Creek. It is proposed that the boundary would be moved to follow the railroad tracks that run north of South Carolina Highway 75 between US Highway 521 and the North Carolina/South Carolina border. There are currently very few customers in that portion of Lancaster's service area between Twelve Mile Creek and the railroad track. In considering a boundary change to accommodate the future needs of the planned subdivision, the companies believe it is in the public interest to establish a clear boundary.

5. In addition to the above-referenced boundary change, the companies have determined that the boundary line between Fort Mill and Lancaster west of US Highway 521 to the Rock Hill Telephone service boundary line should be clarified. A recent mapping initiative by the companies indicates that the service boundary is unclear, and it appears that Fort Mill may have inadvertently extended facilities to serve several

customers in a portion of Lancaster's service area. In order to avoid disruption to these customers and to avoid duplicative construction, and in light of the companies' substantial common ownership, Fort Mill and Lancaster propose to clarify the boundary line between the companies west of US Highway 521.

6. It is in the best interest of the Companies and in the public interest to define the service boundary between Fort Mill and Lancaster in such a manner as to provide local calling in a single planned subdivision, and to avoid confusion and possible future disputes. Furthermore, given the common ownership of the Companies, it is in the public interest to define the boundary such that it will have the least possible impact on existing and future customers.

7. It is likewise in the best interest of the Companies and in the public interest to define the service boundary between Fort Mill and Lancaster so as to avoid the possible construction of lines, plant, or system by one Company that would unreasonably interfere with the service or system of the other Company, in violation of S.C. Code Ann. § 58-9-280.

8. The Companies have established a proposed service boundary that will accomplish the above purposes. Attached hereto as Exhibit A, and incorporated herein by reference, are two maps. The first map is entitled "Wireline Boundary Between Fort Mill Telephone Company d/b/a/ Comporium Communications and Lancaster Telephone Company d/b/a Comporium Communications"(the "Fort Mill Map"). The Fort Mill Map depicts the service area of Fort Mill, showing both the existing boundary and the proposed boundary between Fort Mill and Lancaster. The second map is entitled "Wireline Boundary Between Lancaster Telephone Company d/b/a/ Comporium

Communications and Fort Mill Telephone Company d/b/a Comporium Communications” (the “Lancaster Map”). The Lancaster Map depicts the service area of Lancaster, showing both the existing boundary and the proposed boundary between Lancaster and Fort Mill. Upon approval of this Petition by the Commission, maps showing the modified boundaries between the respective companies will be finalized and filed with the Commission, and copies provided to ORS, pursuant to Commission Reg. 103-612.2.3.

9. It is the Companies’ express intent that existing customers will not be affected by this change in the service boundary unless they so choose. Therefore, to the extent the premises of existing customers of Lancaster would fall within the service area of Fort Mill according to the service boundaries as depicted on the Fort Mill Map (the “Grandfathered Customers”), the Companies propose that those customers will be grandfathered in and will remain customers of Lancaster, unless and until the customer cancels or otherwise ceases to receive landline basic local exchange telephone service in the customer’s name at the customer’s present service location. Should such cessation of service occur, Lancaster shall have no further obligation as a carrier of last resort, as defined in S.C. Code Ann. 58-9-10(10), with respect to that customer or those premises and, to the extent there is a carrier of last resort obligation imposed by law, it shall be borne by Fort Mill, as shown on the Fort Mill Map.

10. Attached hereto as Exhibit B is a list of Grandfathered Customers of Lancaster, along with the customers’ addresses and wire line telephone numbers (or designation of an unlisted number, if applicable).

11. The Companies will provide notice to the Grandfathered Customers that the service boundary between Fort Mill and Lancaster has been changed, and that their wire line service will not be impacted unless they so choose. The Grandfathered Customers may elect to obtain wire line service from the new carrier (Fort Mill) or they may elect to remain customers of Lancaster. Copies of the proposed notice is attached hereto as Exhibit C.

12. Any questions, notices, orders, correspondence or communications to the Parties concerning this Petition should be directed to the undersigned counsel.

WHEREFORE, for the reasons stated herein, Fort Mill and Lancaster respectfully request that the Commission grant the relief requested herein, which is in the best interest of the public, and grant such other and further relief as is just and proper.

Respectfully Submitted,



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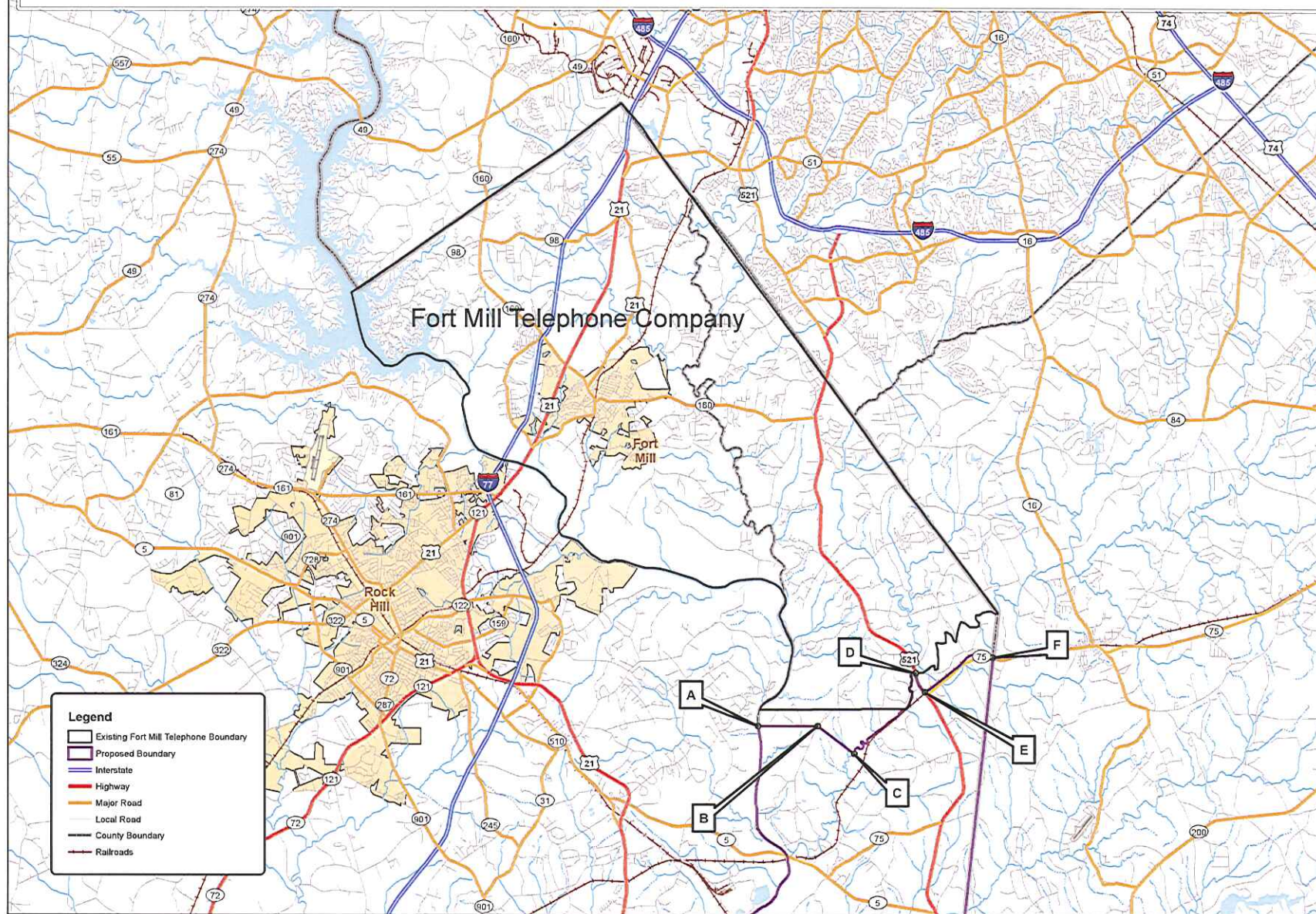
Attorneys for the Joint Petitioners

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EXHIBIT A

SERVICE BOUNDARY MAPS

Wireline Boundary Between Fort Mill Telephone Company d/b/a Comporium Communications and Lancaster Telephone Company d/b/a Comporium Communications



Wireline Boundary Between Lancaster Telephone Company d/b/a/ Comporium Communications and Fort Mill Telephone Company d/b/a Comporium Communications

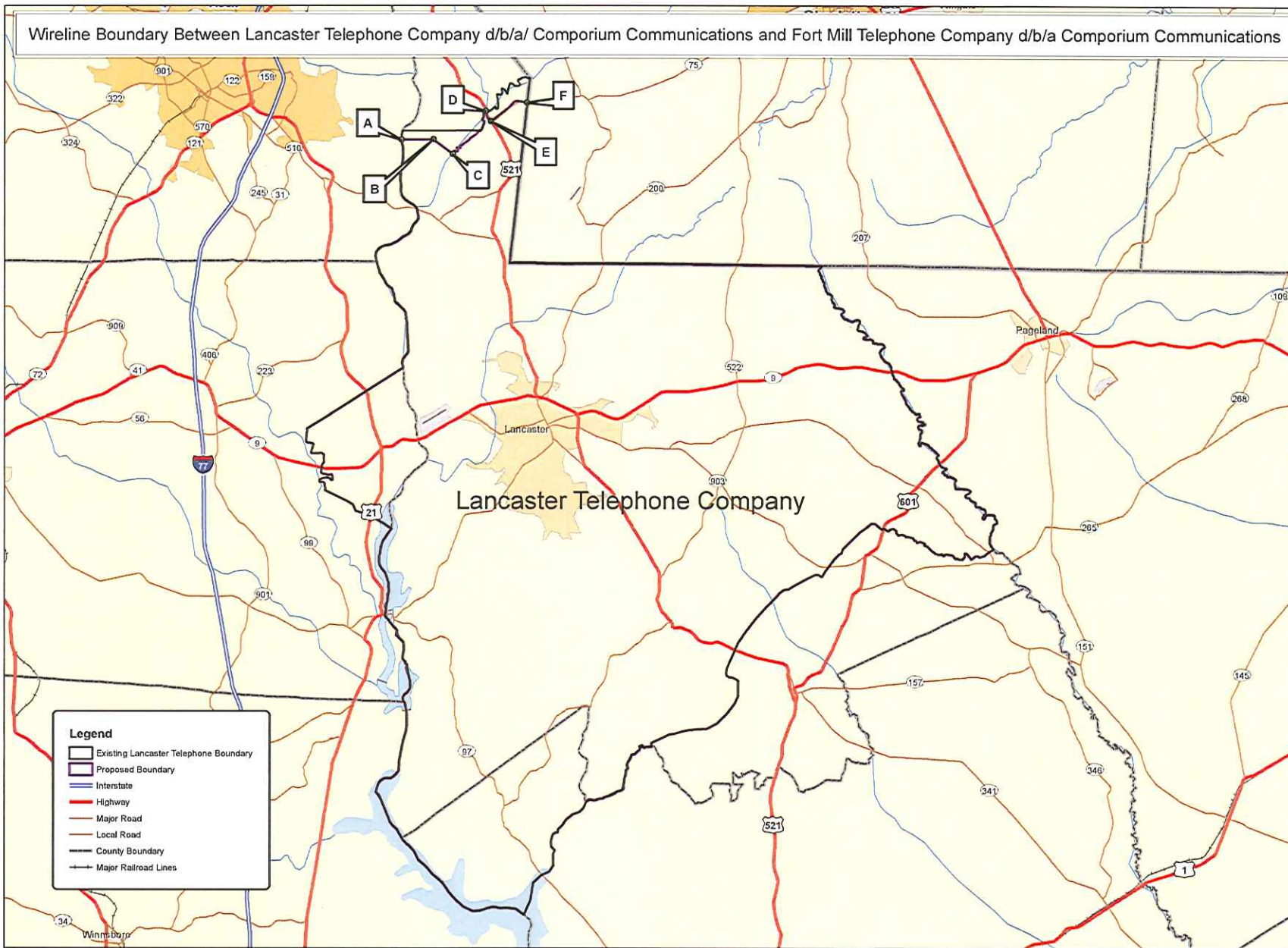


EXHIBIT B

GRANDFATHERED CUSTOMERS

Certain customers living in Lancaster County (see below) currently have Lancaster telephone service. According to the proposed Map, these customers would be located in Fort Mill's wireline territory. These customers may keep their Lancaster telephone service as long as they do not discontinue such service. Once a customer discontinues Lancaster telephone service at the location designated below, it cannot be reinstalled.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Phone #</u>
Lucille Latta	7133 Hancock Rd	
Frank Williams	7165 Hancock Rd	
M. L. Cureton	7203 Hancock Rd	
Lillian Strother	7210 Hancock Rd	
Kenneth Taylor	7218 Hancock Rd	
Willie E Craig	7228 Hancock Rd	
Shelia Perry	7248 Hancock Rd	
John T and Ruby Perry	7254 Hancock Rd	
Elnois Monroe	7282 Hancock Rd	
Cynthia Morgan	7435 Hancock Rd	
Timothy Taylor	7447 Hancock Rd	
Henrietta Massey	7463 Hancock Rd	
Esther Scott	7472 Hancock Rd	
Edwin A Benzel	7490 Hancock Rd	
CSX	7004 Hector Rd	
Pearlie Baxter	7064 Hector Rd	
Jeffrey Cureton	7023 Twelve Mile Creek Rd	
Tasha Bauknight	7039 Twelve Mile Creek Rd	

EXHIBIT C

PROPOSED NOTICE LETTER

Dear _____:

I am writing to tell you about a change that may be of interest to you. You currently receive telephone service from Lancaster Telephone Company d/b/a Comporium Communications. As a result of a change in the boundary between the service areas of Lancaster and Fort Mill Telephone Company (also d/b/a Comporium Communications), your home (business) is now located in Fort Mill's service area.

This clarification does not affect your telephone service in any way. You may continue to receive telephone service from Lancaster for as long as you remain a customer at your current address, if you so choose. Alternatively, you may change your telephone service to Fort Mill at any time. However, please be aware that if your telephone service with Lancaster is canceled or disconnected, or if you change your telephone service to Fort Mill or to any other carrier available to you, you may not be able to change your telephone service back to Lancaster. Also, please note that although the rates for local service are the same, the local calling scopes for Lancaster and Fort Mill Telephone Companies are different. Therefore, if you choose to change your service to Fort Mill, calls to the Fort Mill and Rock Hill exchanges will become local calls. Calls to the Lancaster and Fort Lawn exchanges will become toll calls; these are currently considered local calls for Lancaster Telephone Company customers.

Thank you for your continued patronage. We at Comporium look forward to continuing to provide you with high-quality telephone service. If you have any questions about this matter, please call our customer service department at 1-866-922-5922.